CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

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1. A portable communications device having a reflective display comprising:

a device housing having a wireless receiver; a matrix display;

a lens for viewing the display;

a light source that directs light onto the display; and

an optical coupler that directs the light onto the matrix display and the reflected light through the lens.

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2. The reflective display of claim 1 wherein the matrix display further comprises an array of pixel elements, each pixel element having transistor circuits formed with single crystal silicon, the pixel element having

a reflective pixel electrode.

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The reflective display of claim 2 further comprising a color sequential display circuit.

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4. The reflective display of claim 3 further comprising a switching circuit connected to a counterelectrode panel of the matrix display for switching the applied voltage.

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The reflective display of claim 3 wherein the light directing device is a dichroic prism interposed between the lens and the matrix display.

portable communications device having a reflective color sequential display comprising:

an active matrix liquid crystal display;

a lens for viewing the display and spaced from the display:

a plurality of light sources that sequentially illuminate the display; and

a dichroic prism for directing the light from the light source to the active matrix liquid crystal display and passing the reflection to the lens.

The device of claim 6 further comprising a diffuser between the light sources and the dichroic prism.

The device of claim 7 further comprising at least one 8. dichroic mirror for directing the light from one light source and allowing light from another light source to pass through.

- The device of claim 6 wherein the device comprises a 9. wireless pager.
- The device of claim 6 wherein the device comprises a 10. telephone.
 - The device of claim 6 wherein the device comprises a 11. docking station for a wireless telephone.

12. A portable communications device having a reflective display comprising:

an active matrix liquid crystal display having an array of pixel elements, each pixel element having transistors circuits formed with single crystal

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silicon, the pixel element having a reflective pixel electrode;

a lens for viewing the display and spaced from the display;

a plurality of light emitting diodes;

- a dichroic prism for directing the light from the light source to the active matrix liquid crystal display and passing the reflection to the lens.
- 13. The device of claim 12 further comprising a color sequential display circuit.
 - 14. The device of claim 12 wherein the matrix display has an array of at least 320 by 240 pixel electrodes.
 - 15. The device of claim 12 further comprising a diffuser between the light emitting diodes and the dichroic prism.
 - 16. The device of claim 12 further comprising a pair of dichroic mirrors, each mirror for directing the light from one light emitting diode and allowing light from at least another light emitting diode to pass through.
- 20 17. The device of claim 12 wherein the device comprises a camera.
 - 18. The device of claim 12 wherein the device comprises a telephone.
- 19. The device of claim 12 wherein the device comprises a docking station for a telephone.

20. The device of claim 12 wherein the device comprises a pager.

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